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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed 23 March 2005. Applicants elect the claims of Group 1 (claims 1-27, 29 and 31-32) for prosecution in the subject application. This election is made with traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for examination, and an early action on the merits is courteously requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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